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RE: Public Records Request

Dear Ms. Rolfes:

In your third public records request to our office, dated December 4, 2017, you asked that we conduct a search for additional persons you believe have acted as agents or employees in connection with Bayou Bridge Pipeline LLC and/or Energy Transfer Partners and asked that our search include records of communications or meetings with the following:

- “- Mary Landrieu, who has stated publicly she serves as a “consultant” to the Bayou Bridge Pipeline project and has participated in public hearings as a representative on behalf of Energy Transfer Partners;
- Randy Hayden, a lobbyist, media consultant and industry spokesperson”

After conducting a search for your December 4, 2017 request, we have identified no responsive records of communications or meetings with Mary Landrieu, on behalf of Energy Transfer Partners, or Randy Hayden.

You also stated that you believe a full and thorough search for records concerning meetings and communications with these categories of persons would have yielded more than one email chain about an appointment of a Sunoco employee to a levee protection board.

We reiterate that rather than deny any of your requests as unduly burdensome, our office undertook the immense task of sorting through more than 8000 search-term hits collectively for your three requests, in addition to searching through nearly two years of calendar entries, in an effort to identify whether there were any communications between the governor and/or his staff

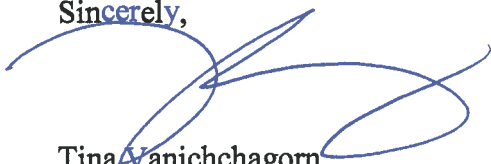
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and the entities or persons named in your requests. We understand that it is your opinion that records should exist; the fact, however is that they simply do not. Our office cannot produce a record that does not exist.

As indicated previously, you may wish to make a public records request of the Department of Natural Resources and/or the Department of Environmental Quality, but without more specificity of the subject or nature of the records you are seeking, we do not know whether either of these agencies would have records responsive to your request.

Should you wish to contact me or if you are able to more specifically identify records you seek, please email me at tina.vanichchagorn@la.gov or call (225) 342-7015.

Sincerely,



Tina Vanichchagorn
Deputy Executive Counsel